

NORTH DAKOTA CROP, LIVESTOCK & WEATHER REPORT



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General: Statewide, temperatures were well above normal allowing for another good week of harvest activity, according to the USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service, North Dakota Field Office. All nine districts in North Dakota reported average high temperatures of over 10 degrees above normal. Corn producers are still facing difficulties of high moisture grain and reporters noted that dryers are running at capacity in many areas. The dry week allowed for fall field activities to continue in preparation for the 2010 season. Topsoil moisture supplies were rated 12 percent short, 75 adequate and 13 surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were rated 1 percent very short, 17 short, 68 adequate and 14 surplus. Statewide, on average, there were 6.8 days suitable for fieldwork last week.

Crops: Producers marked the third week of above normal temperatures by continuing to bring the harvest nearer to completion. Corn harvest remained delayed due to high moisture content and limitations of dryers. Reporters commented that some producers will wait until the ground freezes to harvest their corn. Soybeans gained 12 percentage points to 92 percent harvested. Sunflower harvest remained in full swing and advanced 26 percentage points to 86 percent harvested, compared with 88 percent last year and the five-year (2004-2008) average of 94 percent. Corn harvested for grain increased 13 percentage points to 21 percent complete, 2 weeks behind last year's 50 percent and over 4 weeks behind the average of 83 percent.

Livestock: Livestock activities included weaning and selling calves. Some cattle were put out to graze corn stalks as harvest continued. Stockwater supplies were rated 92 percent adequate to surplus, compared with 58 percent last year.

Crop and Pasture Condition

North Dakota, Week Ending November 22, 2009

Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn	4	10	33	46	7

Crop Development Progress

North Dakota, Week Ending November 22, 2009^{1 2}

Crop	Week Ending			2004-2008 Avg
	Nov 22, 2009	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 22, 2008	
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn				
Harvested for Grain	21	8	50	83
Soybeans				
Harvested	92	80	97	99
Sunflowers				
Harvested	86	60	88	94

¹ Crop development percents represent all acreage in or beyond each stage.
² Progress is based on current intended acreage. NA = Not Available

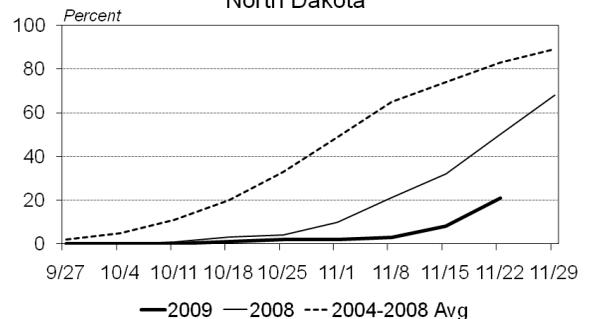
Crops Harvested: Percent Completed, by District

North Dakota, Week Ending November 22, 2009

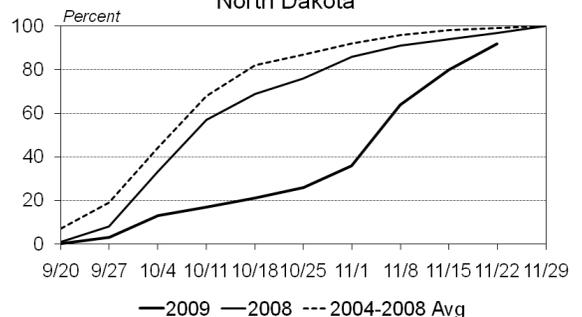
Crop	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE
	--- Percent ---								
Corn	62	27	17	42	19	9	76	29	29
Soybeans	100	99	97	NA	93	88	NA	96	95
Sunflowers	89	97	78	91	85	74	88	82	81

NA = Not Available

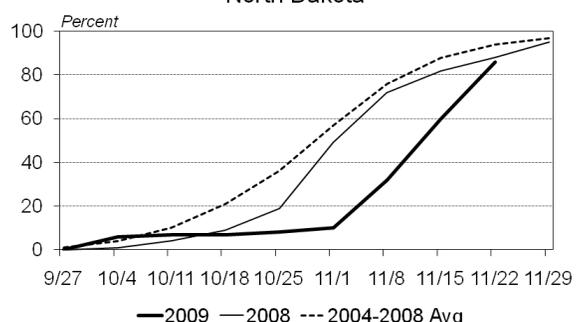
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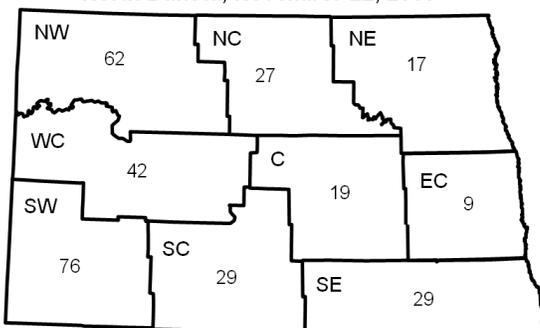
Soybeans: Harvested North Dakota



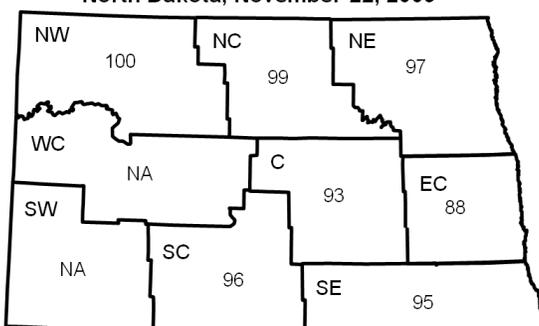
Sunflowers: Harvested North Dakota



Corn for Grain: Percent Harvested North Dakota, November 22, 2009



Soybeans: Percent Harvested North Dakota, November 22, 2009



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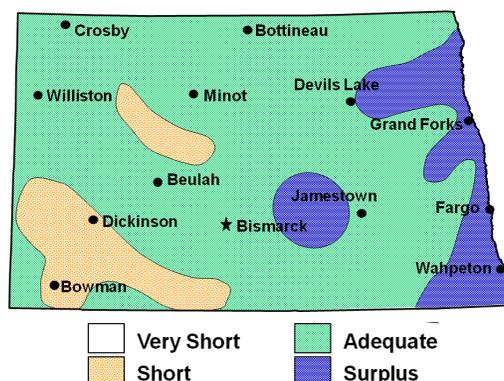
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**Soil Moisture Supplies
 North Dakota, Week Ending November 22, 2009**

Date	Week Ending		
	Nov 22, 2009	Nov 15, 2009	Nov 22, 2008
	Percent	Percent	Percent
Topsoil			
Very Short	0	0	7
Short	12	13	11
Adequate	75	73	64
Surplus	13	14	18
Subsoil			
Very Short	1	1	13
Short	17	16	20
Adequate	68	68	52
Surplus	14	15	15

**Topsoil Moisture Supplies
 North Dakota, November 22, 2009**



Weather: Temperatures were well above normal this past week while precipitation was below normal statewide. Monday was dry with highs in the upper 40s to mid-50s. Highs on Tuesday were in the upper 40s to mid-60s with dry conditions. Dry conditions continued on Wednesday with highs in the upper 40s to low 60s. Thursday was dry with highs in the mid-40s to low 50s. Highs on Friday were in the upper 40s to low 60s with dry conditions. Saturday was dry with highs in the 50s. Highs on Sunday were in the mid-to-upper 40s with dry conditions once again.

Outlook, November 23-29: Temperatures will be above normal across the state this upcoming week. Precipitation will be below normal in most areas. Significant precipitation is not expected with only periodic chances for light precipitation this week. Highs on Monday will be in the upper 30s to mid-40s with a chance of rain in the east and freezing rain in parts of the east central and northeast regions. There will be a chance of snow in the west and rain or snow in the east late Tuesday with highs in the upper 30s to mid-40s. The chance of snow will continue in the east on Wednesday with highs in the low to mid-30s. Thursday will be dry with highs in the 30s to mid-40s. Highs on Friday will be in the mid-30s to mid-40s with dry conditions. There will be a chance of rain or snow in the northern and eastern regions on Saturday with highs in the 30s to mid-40s. Highs on Sunday will be in the 30s with a chance of rain or snow in the north.

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
 North Dakota, Week ending November 22, 2009**

Stations by District	Temperature Past Week		Seasonal Precipitation Beginning April 1 ¹		
	High	Low	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal ²
	(Degrees F)	(Degrees F)	(Inches)	(Inches)	(Inches)
(1) Bowbells	64	23			
Williston	62	24			
Mohall	63	19			
Minot	59	23			
(2) Baker	57	20			
Bottineau	60	12			
Rugby	58	14			
(3) Cando	55	14			
Cavalier	55	18			
Forest River	54	18			
Grand Forks	55	17			
Langdon	54	16			
St. Thomas	53	16			
(4) Hazen	60	13			
Turtle Lake	58	23			
Watford City	64	23			NOT AVAILABLE
(5) Carrington	58	18			
Harvey	57	17			
Jamestown	56	19			
Robinson	55	18			
Streeter	55	21			
(6) Dazey	56	17			
Fargo	54	22			
Hillsboro	54	18			
(7) Beach	64	21			
Bowman	62	17			
Dickinson	64	19			
Hettinger	61	20			
(8) Mandan	57	18			
Linton	55	21			
(9) Edgeley	54	21			
Oakes	55	21			
Wyndmere	56	24			

**Temperature & Precipitation: Districts and Stations
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District Averages	Average Temperature		Seasonal Precipitation Beginning April 1 ¹		
	Past Week	Depart Normal ²	Past Week	Total	Depart Normal ²
	(Degrees F)	(Degrees F)	(Inches)	(Inches)	(Inches)
Northwest(1)	42	18			
N. Central(2)	36	14			
Northeast (3)	35	12			
W. Central(4)	40	14			
Central (5)	37	12	NOT AVAILABLE		
E. Central(6)	36	13			
Southwest(7)	41	14			
S. Central(8)	37	12			
Southeast(9)	38	13			

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